My name is Laura Raymond. I have been employed as a Registered Nurse at Good Samaritan Medical Center, Brockton campus since 1979.

I am currently the Patient Care Director of the Emergency Department.

I am speaking tonight in support of the Cerebrus acquisition of Good Samaritan Medical Center as I believe that the significant financial resources this acquisition provides can only serve to benefit both the employees and the people in the community we serve.

We are in the process of building a new Emergency Department, the improvements to our facility will increase the number of patients who seek high quality, world class care close to home. This increased financial stability will provide new technology to improve care to patients. New technology will necessitate increased skill, education and career opportunities. Job growth will result.

Having the ability to provide new and renovated facilities offer an improved work environment, this will lead to attracting new services and new talents to the community. Good Samaritan Medical Center in Brockton will attract new employees who will in turn become contributing members of the community.

I believe that people residing Brockton and the surrounding communities will benefit from this acquisition. I believe that our mission to provide care that is high quality, with positive outcomes, compassionate and respectful will remain steadfast.

Thank you for having given me the opportunity to speak at this community hearing.

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